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DALLAS (AP) - The Dallas Police Department, Chinese, bitterly criticized throughout the nation and abroad

for its followup to President Kennedy's assassination here, faces the seventh anniversary of that event with

morale restored under a new, dynamic chief,

get problem cases in south tracted 160 entries and Chief giv. "We took it on the chin. We recled under the blow of 1963 too long," says Police Chief Frank Dyson, 43, who : has headed the department since Jan. 1. "We could have overcome all this in a more

positive, quicker, way. And we would have been that much better off. "Mind you, I'm not criticizing Chief (Jesse) Curry

of then police chief of Dallas). He was torn apart under the tremendous pressures he was undergoing. He was only

trying to do what he thought should be done. "But now this is no longer the same police department.

It has a total new outlook. We're not going to settle for anything less than being the hest police department in

the country. It's as simple as a that The tect me quity Searched Depository When President Kennedy was felled by bullets on a street in downtown Dallas on

Nov. 22, 1963, Dyson was manning a headquarters desk as lieutenant of the vice squad. But it fell to him to lead the detail which searched the Texas Book De-

pository, the assassin's hideout, for possible clues. Taxq. When Lee Harvey Oswald was arrested some hours later after shooting a patrolman in another part of the rity, Dallas police rode high for a time. They had got their man and got him oulckly. But they lost their

reputation for alertness two days later when Oswald was shot dead by night club owner Jack Ruby in the basement of City Hall itself. Curry retired in 1965 Police Chief Charles Batchelor, who followed him, made few changes but! he advanced young Dyson through the ranks to No. 2

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owner Jack Ruby in the basement of City Hall itself. Curry retired in 1965. Police Chief Charles Batchelor. who followed: him, made few changes but he advanced young Dyson through the ranks to No. 2 position Batchelor died of a heart attack on the last day of 1969. Retubulton In nearly 11 months on the job, Dyson, who joined the force 20 years ago, has b shaken the department from top to bottom. But he welly agree he has changed its image. "It's a mistake to call what?" I'm doing an image booster," Dyson says. "The word image has the connotation of creating a felse front and that's exactly the opposite of my intentions." He Ha First With Degree As the only Dallas police chief ever to hold a college degree-a bachelor of scient ence in police science from Sam Houston State University this spring - Dyson is what his men call "nuts on education." SPECIENCE CONTRACTOR Right now 800 of his 1,62% men are registered for the fall semester at institution of higher learning, with the city picking up the tab for their fuition. Thirty-six his men hold BA degrees\$ w runch 21 four have masters' degrees two hold law degrees, and 15)

have associate of arts grees in police science Shi Average age of men in th top command posts is down from 54 to 43 "We're getting away from

the idea of a brawny police-man with no brams," says Dyson, who himself is 6 feet 3 and lean. "More and more the officer's job is to understand the problems of his community. Police officers, in order

to gain and maintain respect proof boot black. Sizes 7-12. for their judgment and au-Abority, should have a formal education that is at least as good as-and preferably bet-der-than the people they Rer-unen. The department starts its Precruits, who must at least

be high school graduates, at be high school graduates, at \$620 a month, Those with 60 hours of college credit start at \$700. By 1980, says Dyson, All new recruits must hat college degrees. So that college degrees. So that college degrees of the college degree of the college deg

The force today includes 43 Negroes, 13 Mexican-Americans - one, Patrolman Anselmo M. Arredondo, was named among 10 national fi-





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